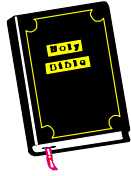


WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



“every disciple that is perfect shall be as his master.” Luke 6:40b

SECOND ANNUAL LADIES DAY

*West Columbia church of Christ
1701 Augusta Road*

*Saturday, April 25, 2009
9:00 am to 2:30 pm*

THEME:

*JUST HOW MUCH
CAN WE BEAR?*



*KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Sister Cynthia Burleson
(from St. Andrew's Road church of Christ)*

*Please RSVP by April 15, 2009
Call Stephanie Rinehart at (803)665-6879
Or email: Stefaleer@aol.com*

We look forward to seeing you there!

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AM: Jerry Manning
FROM THE MOUTHS OF CHRIST'S ENEMIES
PM: Jerry Manning
THE CHURCH TREASURY

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works,
which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.” - Ephesians 2:10

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“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Lamar Reeves, Beryl Parks, Nina Ruth Meadows (Marcella Klieves' mother), Jack and Elma Berrier, Lynn Drago (Jerry's sister) and Phyllis Johnson.
- **Doris Sheppard** is recovering from foot surgery.
- **Don Klieves** has been under the weather.
- **Keith Carter** requests prayers for a family friend, **Bill Boulware** who needs a new heart.
- Remember our brother **Darius Silbawa** who has not been with us.
- Remember all these, those that are grieving and recovering from loss, and brother **Manning** and those he studies the Bible with, in your prayers.

"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health,
even as thy soul prospereth." - 3 John 1:2

“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42

- **Foundation Class**, Saturdays 11 am at the building. All are invited.
- **Visual Aids** help needed for VBS, see brother Manning.
- **Homecoming**, 20th year, **Twin City church**, 4/26 with **Mike Hinrichs** preaching.
- **Gospel Meeting** in Walterboro with **David Pharr**, 4/26-4/30.
- **Contributions** are needed to help our sister **Anne Louise Gordon**.
- **YOUTH RALLY**, Rock Hill Sat. 4/25

“Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest
to the brethren, and to strangers;” - 3 John 1:4

“REJOICE WITH THEM THAT DO REJOICE!” - Romans 12:15

- **Gene Lowe** had good news from his heart cath (no blockages) and after some adjustment of his pacemaker is doing much, much better.
- **Maci Cobb** was born last Thursday to **Natalie and Landis**, weighing 6 lbs 8 oz.
- **Lynn and Jerry Manning** announce the engagement of their son **Joshua** to **Courtney Johnson**, to be wed 7/25/2009 in Hilton Head.
- **Lamar Reeves** is doing better; gaining weight and strength.

“O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good:
because his mercy endureth for ever” - Psalm 118:1

“... PEOPLE, ZEALOUS OF GOOD WORKS.” - Titus 2:14

WORK TEAM SCHEDULE: 4/19—C 4/26—D 5/3—A 5/10—B

Let Your Light Shine in 2009!

WORK IS GOOD FOR YOU!

Haven't you heard the old adage, "Work is good for you!"? We have tried to instill this into our children and we have tried to set the example for them. Of course, there are those who could not tell you much about work because they have never really become acquainted with it. Others, no doubt, would argue that work is not good for you and they try to stay far away from it. Generally speaking, people live longer who have worked diligently all their lives. Work also prevents one from becoming lazy (in mind and body). Work gives one an incentive to live from day to day. Statistics indicate that the mortality rate increases following retirement. This certainly does not mean that one should never retire from employment. But it does indicate that one should have regular activities in which to engage even after retirement.

But consider also that if you are a Christian, work in the church is good for you (spiritually). Perhaps you are familiar with the term "benchwarmer." This usually refers to those who attend worship services but that is all they do. This individual is usually content with doing nothing. If there is work to be done (visitation, Bible studies, extending invitations, etc.) someone else will have to do it. He may try to fall back on excuses such as, "I work long hours;" "I'm tired at the end of the day;" "I'm not very good at that;" or he may simply say, "I know I need to be more involved," but that is about as far as he gets.

If the term, "benchwarmer," describes someone reading this article, may I ask you something? How can you possibly be satisfied with yourself? Do you not feel that there is something missing in your life? If you talk to a diligent worker in the church, they will probably tell you how wonderful it is to know that you have brightened someone's day after visiting with them in the hospital; or how exhilarating it is to know that perhaps you have helped to lead a wayward brother or sister back to faithfulness or have helped to lead someone to the way of salvation.

Work not only benefits the church but it is good for the individual. We are instructed to "be ready to every good work" (Titus 3:1). We are to be "always abounding in the work of the Lord" (I Cor. 15:58). We have been "created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them" (Eph. 2:10).

Work not only causes the church to grow (spiritually and numerically), but it strengthens the one working. It will cause you to grow spiritually. As you work in His vineyard, you will find that you are drawing closer to the Lord and your brethren. As if this is not enough, consider the fact that in the Judgment you will be judged by your works (Rev. 20:12). The "one talent man" in Matthew 25 was condemned as being a "wicked and slothful [lazy] servant" (Matt. 25:30).

If you are a "benchwarmer," or if you have become lax in your work in the church, dear brother/sister, you need to make a change for the sake of your soul! And I believe that I can guarantee that your life will change for the better

- **Jimmy Ferguson**, minister Nettleton church of Christ, Jonesboro AR

“Who will render to every man according to his deeds: To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life:” - Rom. 2:6,7